To: Herrera, Angeles[Herrera.Angeles@epa.gov]

Cc: Ball, Harold[Ball.Harold@epa.gov]

From: Greg Lovato

**Sent:** Fri 2/3/2017 12:26:42 AM **Subject:** RE: Anaconda coordination

Thanks Angeles, we greatly appreciate the close communication and coordination.

----Original Message-----

From: Herrera, Angeles [mailto:Herrera.Angeles@epa.gov]

Sent: Thursday, February 02, 2017 4:24 PM

To: Greg Lovato Cc: Ball, Harold

Subject: Re: Anaconda coordination

I tried to respond to this message before but got kicked out of email...

Thanks Greg.

Regarding the decision not to move forward with final listing in March, we received your email request and are in the process of coordinating with our HQ's NPL listing office and others. You should hear back from us soon.

Regarding communications about postponing the listing with the tribes and others, it is important for NDEP, BLM, and EPA to coordinate closely and communicate similar messages. I agree that right now is premature but we should be able soon. We need to develop a communication strategy that includes talking pts before reaching out to the tribes, local Gov, and community members. We can discuss further during our meeting next Monday at 3pm.

Thanks, Angeles

## Sent from my iPhone

> On Feb 2, 2017, at 2:34 PM, Greg Lovato <glovato@ndep.nv.gov> wrote:

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> All that being said, if EPA or BLM have some specific ideas on how we should be communicating with tribe about deferral now I am all ears. I believe it is premature.

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- > -----Original Message-----
- > From: Greg Lovato
- > Sent: Thursday, February 02, 2017 2:32 PM
- > To: 'Ball, Harold'
- > Cc: 'Herrera, Angeles'
- > Subject: RE: Anaconda coordination

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> When they would be consulted should not have been communicated by Jeryl. I let him and Jeff know to have all external deferral inquiries directed to me.

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- > ----Original Message-----
- > From: Greg Lovato
- > Sent: Thursday, February 02, 2017 2:31 PM
- > To: 'Ball, Harold' > Cc: Herrera, Angeles

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> Subject: RE: Anaconda coordination
> Ok that is incorrect information about them being consulted in May timeframe. We would plan to contact
them immediately if/when a decision from EPA is communicated that March listing will be postponed.
> ----Original Message-----
> From: Ball, Harold [mailto:Ball.Harold@epa.gov]
> Sent: Thursday, February 02, 2017 2:28 PM
> To: Greg Lovato
> Cc: Herrera, Angeles
> Subject: FW: Anaconda coordination
> See below. So no substance but just that negotiations continue and thus perhaps their assumption (?)
that we are planning to delay listing. Constructive tribal engagement is an important piece to consider
soon. I see that you have made plans to discuss on Monday.
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> Harold Ball, Chief, NV & Federal Facilities Section (S82), EPA Region 9 Superfund, w) 415.972.3047,
c) 415.819.9821, ball.harold@epa.gov
> ----Original Message-----
> From: Rodriguez, Dante
> Sent: Thursday, February 02, 2017 2:04 PM
> To: Ball, Harold <Ball.Harold@epa.gov>
> Cc: Herrera, Angeles < Herrera. Angeles @epa.gov>
> Subject: RE: Anaconda coordination
> Hev guvs.
> I would agree that Jeryl only generically informed us that the deferral path is still being pursued, based
on the Tuesday meeting. (Jeryl informed me separately about the "covenants" issue.) The tribes knew
enough background about what is going on, though, to know the significance of that information. The
tribes know that they have not yet been involved in the deferral discussion, and Jervl did indicate that per
the schedule they would be consulted in the May timeframe. I believe that timing upset them and is
precipitating the letter.
> Dante Rodriguez
> Remedial Project Manager
> U.S. EPA Region 9
> 75 Hawthorne Street, SFD-8-2
> San Francisco, CA 94105
> (415)972-3166
> ----Original Message-----
> From: Ball. Harold
> Sent: Thursday, February 02, 2017 1:01 PM
> To: glovato@ndep.nv.gov; Herrera, Angeles <Herrera.Angeles@epa.gov>
> Subject: RE: Anaconda coordination
> OK. Let me check back with Dante (now at lunch) to see if he shares the opinion that only generic info
was shared. If true, great!
> I will get back to you both when I can confirm. From Dante's report, I got the impression that more
substance was discussed - if not, then why did the tribe indicate they would be sending a letter now? Will
follow up.
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c) 415.819.9821, ball.harold@epa.gov
> ----Original Message-----
> From: Greg Lovato [mailto:glovato@ndep.nv.gov]
> Sent: Thursday, February 02, 2017 12:54 PM
> To: Herrera, Angeles < Herrera. Angeles @epa.gov>
> Cc: Ball, Harold <Ball.Harold@epa.gov>
> Subject: RE: Anaconda coordination
> I talked with Jeryl and we would not characterize it that way. In response to a question from Dietrick.
Jeryl stated that we are continuing to work on a deferral path, not inconsistent with Dave Emme's NPL
listing formal comment letter. Jeryl did not review any specific "outcomes" from the meeting or indicate
any decisions were made with respect to postponing listing. They did not mention anything about sending
a letter. We did receive the attached letter previously and are waiting to respond. I am not sure why they
would send an additional letter now. No decisions have been made or communicated.
> ----Original Message-----
> From: Herrera, Angeles [mailto:Herrera.Angeles@epa.gov]
> Sent: Thursday, February 02, 2017 12:28 PM
> To: Greg Lovato
> Cc: Ball, Harold
> Subject: Anaconda coordination
      We understand from Dante that Jeryl mentioned our ARC meeting outcomes to tribe (Chairman
Thom, Ginny, and Dietrick) on Tuesday night after talking to you. Tribe planning a letter soon. Do you
know anything about that?
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